

REMARKS

The outstanding office action rejects the pending claims as obvious in light of Lederrey in view of Gyger. By this amendment, claim 1 has been rewritten and claims 2-10 have been amended to more particularly claim Applicant's invention.

It is respectfully submitted that the claims as currently amended, distinguish the Lederrey and Gyger references. The claims, as amended, define a crystal for a timepiece which has a three dimensional transparent body with a decorative plaque formed within the three-dimensional molded body interposed between the outer and inner surfaces thereof. The resulting structure gives the appearance that the three-dimensional plaquettes are floating in space inside of the crystal body.

In contrast, the two prior art references cited in the outstanding action have decorative features and/or indicia located on the surface of the crystal. On the upper surface of the crystal in Lederrey and on the lower surface of the crystal in Gyger. The prior art does not disclose the claimed combination, namely, a three-dimensional transparent resin body having at least one three-dimensional plaque formed therein interposed between the upper surface of the body and the lower surface of the body in order to achieve the appearance that the plaque is floating in space inside the crystal body.

The undersigned has made an effort to modify the claims so that they are easier to read. If the Examiner has any further suggested amendments which would aid in clarifying the claims, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned so that the matter can be promptly handled and the case passed on to allowance.

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